

1910, relating to the admission of New Mexico into the Union to achieve greater diversity in the prudent investment of moneys from lands held in trust.

Witnesses heard were Representatives Fascell on H. R. 1394; Rhodes of Arizona on H. R. 5149; and Dempsey on H. R. 7705 and 8079.

FOOD AND DRUG ACT

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Science ordered favorably

reported to the full committee H. R. 6456, to amend the Food and Drug Act regarding disposition of certain imported articles.

ANTIDUMPING ACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Held hearing on amendments to the Antidumping Act and received testimony from Assistant Secretary of the Treasury David W. Kendall and State Department officials. Hearings continue tomorrow.



Tuesday, July 30, 1957

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued consideration of civil rights bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: 11 bills and 2 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2654-2664; S. Con. Res. 42; and S. Res. 172.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2006, to relieve the Surgeons General of the Army and Navy of certain responsibilities outside the Defense Department (S. Rept. 764);

H. R. 5953, to provide for the construction of sewer and water facilities for the Elko Indian colony, Nevada (S. Rept. 765);

H. R. 7540, to extend provisions of Public Law 815, 81st Cong., relating to school construction, to Wake Island (S. Rept. 766);

S. 747, to authorize the Secretary of State to evaluate and to waive the collection of certain financial assistance loans (S. Rept. 767);

H. R. 4511, to declare a certain portion of Back Cove at Portland, Maine, to be nonnavigable water of the U. S. (S. Rept. 768);

H. R. 8053, to authorize funds available for Indian health facilities to be used in construction of community hospitals to serve Indians and non-Indians (S. Rept. 769);

H. R. 5707, private bill (S. Rept. 770);

H. J. Res. 426, to amend joint resolution making temporary appropriations for fiscal year 1958 (S. Rept. 771); and

S. 1779, to give effect to certain obligations of U. S. under the Geneva Conventions for protection of war victims of 1949 by regulating use of the Red Cross and other emblems, with amendment (S. Rept. 772).

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Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee.

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Assassination of Guatemalan President: S. Res. 172, expressing sympathy to people of Guatemala for their tragic loss in the assassination of President Carlos Castillo Armas, was submitted, read, and ordered to lie on table.

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Civil Rights: Senate continued its consideration of H. R. 6127, to protect the civil rights of persons within the jurisdiction of the U. S., with the pending question at recess the modified O'Mahoney amendment respecting jury trials in certain contempt cases.

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Recess: Recessed at 6:04 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—FOREIGN AID

Committee on Appropriations: Committee continued in executive session its hearings on proposed fiscal 1958 budget estimates for the mutual security programs, with testimony from witnesses as follows:

On Far East programs—Walter S. Robertson, Assistant Secretary of State for Far Eastern Affairs; Dr. Raymond T. Moyer, Office of Far Eastern Operations, and J. E. Murphy, Controller, both of International Cooperation Administration; and Capt. Berton Robbins, Jr., USN, Regional Director, Far East, and Col. Harry H. Critz, Office of Programing and Control, both of International Security Affairs, Defense Department;

On atoms-for-peace program—Harold S. Vance, AEC Commissioner;

On Latin America—Roy R. Rubottom, Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs, Rollin S. Atwood, Regional Director, Office of Latin American

Operations, ICA, and Col. Thomas B. Hanford, Regional Director, Western Hemisphere, ISA, Defense Department;

On UNTA—Francis O. Wilcox, Assistant Secretary of State for International Organization Affairs;

On administrative expenses—Richard Cook, ICA, and Markley Shaw, Defense Department;

On facilities assistance—Col. Harry H. Critz, Defense Department; and

On NATO building—John Wesley Jones, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State.

Hearings continue tomorrow with testimony from public witnesses.

FINANCIAL INVESTIGATION

Committee on Finance: Committee continued its financial investigation hearings, and received further testimony from Under Secretary of the Treasury W. Randolph Burgess.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

TREATIES, AND MIDDLE EAST

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported double taxation conventions with Austria, Canada, Japan, and Pakistan (Exs. A, B, K, and N, respectively, of 85th Cong., 1st sess.). Committee also agreed to an order directing the Secretary of the Senate to return to the President treaty of friendship, commerce, and navigation between U. S. and Republic of Haiti, signed at Port-au-Prince on March 3, 1955 (Ex. H, 84th Cong., 1st sess.).

Also, committee agreed to a motion that hereafter all nominees to ambassadorial and similar posts will be examined by the committee in open session.

Prior to these actions, the committee in open session heard testimony on the double taxation conventions from Colin F. Stam, Chief of Staff, Joint Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation; Dan Throop Smith, Deputy to the Secretary of the Treasury; and Eldon P. King, International Tax Relations Division, Internal Revenue Service, Treasury Department.

MIDDLE EAST

Committee on Foreign Relations: Joint Subcommittee on the Middle East met in executive session and agreed to a statement recommending discontinuance of its study of Middle East policy, which action has the effect of terminating the subcommittee's activities.

STATEHOOD

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported with amendments, including administration proposals, S. 49, providing statehood for Alaska, and S. 50, providing statehood for Hawaii.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration held hearings on S. 1006, to revise the basic quota

system of the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952, and S. 2369, a related bill. Testimony was received from Deputy Attorney General William P. Rogers, who directed his remarks to S. 1006.

Hearings adjourned subject to call.

RAPID TAX AMORTIZATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Anti-trust and Monopoly resumed its hearings on the Government's policy of granting rapid tax amortization certificates in certain industries, hearing testimony from Willard W. Gatchell, General Counsel, and Russell C. Rainwater, Chief Accountant, both of the Federal Power Commission.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Continuing its hearings regarding Communist infiltration into labor organizations, Internal Security Subcommittee had as witnesses Louis Goldblatt, secretary-treasurer, ILWU, San Francisco, who refused, on grounds of possible self-incrimination (fifth amendment), to answer certain of the subcommittee's questions, and Thomas William Gleason, general organizer, International Longshoremen's Association, New York.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

BILLS AND NOMINATIONS APPROVED

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

Without amendment—S. 2500, to make uniform the termination date for the use of official franks by former Members of Congress, H. J. Res. 275, transferring to Puerto Rico certain archives and records in possession of the National Archives, and S. 243 and H. R. 4986, private bills;

Amended—S. 1850, to adjust conditions of employment in departments or agencies in the Canal Zone, and H. R. 7910, to revise the laws relating to the handling of short paid and undeliverable mail (amended so as to include provisions of S. 2615, to permit publications printed in imitation of typewriting to be accepted as second-class matter); and

Two hundred and eleven postmaster nominations.

SMALL BUSINESS

Select Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Government Procurement concluded its hearings on small-business programs in the various military departments, with testimony on various technical services within the Department of the Army from the following witnesses: Maj. Gens. E. C. Itschner, Chief of Engineers, W. M. Creasy, Chief Chemical Officer, J. D. O'Connell, Chief Signal Officer, A. T. McNamara, Quartermaster General, and Paul F. Yount, Chief of Transportation, who were accompanied and supported by other Army witnesses.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 19 public bills, H. R. 8943-8961; 13 private bills, H. R. 8962-8974; and 7 resolutions, H. J. Res. 426-430, H. Con. Res. 220, and H. Res. 381, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

Thirty-two private bills, H. R. 1317, 1318, 1411, 1602, 1792, 5161, 6868, 8586, H. J. Res. 417, S. 294, 591, 651, 669, 811, 876, 1053, 1071, 1102, 1240, 1309, 1311, 1321, 1353, 1363, 1397, 1452, 1472, 1502, 1508, 1509, 1774, and 2027 (H. Repts. 896 to 927, respectively);

S. 2448, to authorize a payment to the Government of Denmark (H. Rept. 928);

H. R. 2462, Federal employees salary adjustment, amended (H. Rept. 929);

H. R. 8943, to amend titles 10, 14, and 32, U. S. Code, to codify recent military law, and to improve the code (H. Rept. 930);

H. J. Res. 426, amending a joint resolution making temporary appropriations for fiscal year 1958 (H. Rept. 931);

H. J. Res. 404, providing for the recognition and endorsement of the Second World Metallurgical Congress, amended (H. Rept. 932);

H. R. 6456, amending the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act relative to disposition of certain imported articles which have been seized and condemned (H. Rept. 933);

Three private bills, H. R. 7115, 2935, and 5920 (H. Repts. 934-936, respectively);

H. J. Res. 408, relating to St. Lawrence Seaway Celebration to be held in Chicago, Ill., from January 1, 1959, to December 31, 1959 (H. Rept. 937);

H. J. Res. 342, giving Congressional consent to compact between New York State and Government of Canada providing for continued existence of the Buffalo and Fort Erie public bridge authority (H. Rept. 938);

H. R. 2391, relating to percentage depletion in the case of certain sand and gravel, amended (H. Rept. 939);

H. R. 8599, relating to definition of wages for purposes of State agreements under Social Security Act (H. Rept. 940);

H. R. 8821, relating to social-security coverage for State and local employees under certain retirement systems (H. Rept. 941);

H. R. 5264, transferring ownership to Allegany County, Md., of a bridge loaned to such county by the Bureau of Public Roads (H. Rept. 942);

S. 1941, to authorize the payment by Bureau of Public Roads of transportation and subsistence costs to temporary employees on direct Federal highway projects (H. Rept. 943);

H. R. 7671, amending the Bankruptcy Act to make certain equipment trust provisions applicable to aircraft equipment of air carriers (H. Rept. 944); and

H. R. 8929, permitting the disposal of certain land to aliens (H. Rept. 945).

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Private Calendar: The following bills were passed on the call of the Private Calendar:

Cleared for the President: S. 189, 225, 239, 904, and 1268.

Sent to the Senate without amendment: H. R. 1349, 1684, 1827, 2354, 2938, 4344, 7545, 8284, and 8347.

Sent to the Senate, amended: H. J. Res. 393, 409, 410, 411, H. R. 1558, 1636, 1663, 1678, 2741, 2979, 3184, 3473, 4447, 4854, 5224, and 7654.

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Temporary Appropriations: By a voice vote adopted H. J. Res. 426, amending a joint resolution making temporary appropriations for fiscal year 1958. This is a regular continuing resolution providing funds for certain departments through August 31 where their regular appropriation bills are still pending in Congress.

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Missing Persons Act: Passed and cleared for Presidential action S. 2449, to extend the effectiveness of the Missing Persons Act until April 1, 1958.

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Federal Property Transportation: By a voice vote the House passed H. R. 3233, to amend the Interstate Commerce Act relative to reduced rates on Government traffic. This passage was subsequently vacated and S. 939, a similar bill, was passed in lieu after being amended to contain the House language. Adopted a committee amendment that would require the carriers to file with the Interstate Commerce Commission and publish their actual rates that were below the regular tariffs to commercial shippers in order that all carriers might know what that reduced rate was in order to compete with them for Government shipping. Adopted an amendment to the committee amendment that would provide that nothing in the act shall affect any prior litigation or cause for action.

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Airways Modernization: Concluded all debate on, and the reading for amendment of, S. 1856, to provide for the development and modernization of the national system of navigation and traffic control facilities to serve present and future needs of civil and military aviation, but did not complete action on the bill. When the Committee of the Whole rose there was pending an amendment to delete language providing that appropriations be made for the Airways Modernization Board without fiscal year limitations. Action on the bill will be concluded on Wednesday.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:51 p. m.

Committee Meetings

EROSION CONTROL

Committee on Agriculture: Held hearing on H. R. 5547, to amend the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act with respect to measures for erosion control. Agriculture Department witnesses were heard.

MILITARY MISCELLANY

Committee on Armed Services: Resumed hearings on H. R. 8704, to prohibit the delivery of members of the Armed Forces of the United States to the jurisdiction of any foreign nations. Also approved the report of the Special Subcommittee on Service Exchanges and ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 8763 (amended), a private bill.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS ACT

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued hearings on S. 1451 and H. R. 7026, Financial Institutions Act of 1957, and heard Comptroller of the Currency Ray M. Gidney. Hearings continue tomorrow.

D. C. MISCELLANY

Committee on District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Fiscal Affairs concluded hearings but took no action on H. R. 8871, to provide for the exchange of lands of the United States as a site for the new Sibley Memorial Hospital; and H. R. 7467, with respect to the citizenship and residence qualifications of the directors or trustees of certain companies in D. C. Representative McCormack was heard and hearings adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS MISCELLANY

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Ordered favorably reported to the House the following bills:

H. J. Res. 304 (amended), recognition and endorsement of the Second World Metallurgical Congress;

H. J. Res. 408, relating to invitation to foreign countries and others to participate in the St. Lawrence Seaway celebration in 1959; and

H. R. 8929, to permit disposal of lands and interests in lands by the Secretary of State to aliens.

The committee also heard the following witnesses on H. R. 4316, 4315, and 4314, relating to the Great Lakes Basin compact: Representatives Rabaut, Ford, and a spokesman in behalf of Senator McNamara.

FEDERAL-STATE RELATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations continued hearings with regard to Federal, State, and local government relations. Witnesses, representing municipal and private organizations, were heard. Hearings continue tomorrow.

PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Public Lands ordered favorably reported to

the full committee H. R. 8079 (amended), to amend the act of June 20, 1910, relating to the admission of New Mexico into the Union to achieve greater diversity in the prudent investment of moneys from lands held in trust.

A hearing was held but no action taken on the following bills: H. R. 5450, to authorize the enlargement of the administrative headquarters site for Isle Royale National Park, Houghton, Mich.; and H. R. 2549, to facilitate the development of the Whitman National Monument, in the State of Washington. Representatives Bennett of Michigan was heard on H. R. 5450 and Holmes on 2549. The subcommittee also considered in executive session but took no action on H. R. 3594 and S. 846, relating to the establishment of a National Outdoor Recreation Resources Review Commission.

INTERSTATE COMMERCE MISCELLANY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House the following bills:

H. R. 5822 (amended), with respect to the reinvestment by air carriers of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of certain operating property and equipment; and

H. R. 6456, amending the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, with respect to the disposition of certain imported articles which have been seized and condemned.

JUDICIAL MISCELLANY

Committee on the Judiciary: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House the following bills with amendment:

H. R. 7151, to fix the fees payable to the Patent Office;

H. R. 7671, to amend the Federal Bankruptcy Act, to make certain equipment trust provisions applicable to aircraft and aircraft equipment of air carriers;

H. R. 8194, to codify recent military law; and

S. J. Res. 35, authorizing the commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the 1st conference of State governors for the protection of the natural resources of the United States.

The committee also acted on a number of private claim and immigration bills.

COAST GUARD MISCELLANY

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Coast Guard met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 5894 (amended), to amend the laws relating to the endorsement of masters on vessel documents. The subcommittee also considered but deferred action on H. R. 4751, to correct certain inequities in the computation of service in the Coast Guard Women's Reserve; and H. R. 8807, with respect to certain small vessels operated by cooperatives on certain inland waters of southeastern Alaska.

POSTAL EMPLOYEES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 5558, to provide that certain employees in the postal field service assigned to road duty, and rural carriers, shall receive the benefit of holidays created by administrative action by the President.

PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Public Works: Met in executive session for consideration of pending bills, made no announcement and will continue in executive session tomorrow.

VETERANS' BENEFICIARIES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Resumed hearings on H. R. 72, to provide for the disposition of certain benefits which are unpaid at the death of the intended beneficiary. VA officials were heard and hearing adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

ANTIDUMPING ACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on amendments to the Antidumping Act and received testimony from public witnesses. Hearings continue tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY MATTERS

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

Original bills in lieu of S. 2341 and H. R. 8251, entitled "International Atomic Energy Participation Act of 1957";

With amendments H. R. 8003 and an original Senate bill to increase the salaries of certain executives of the Atomic Energy Commission; and

Original bills in lieu of S. 1572 and H. R. 5889, authorizing appropriations for the Atomic Energy Commission to acquire or construct certain facilities.

DEFENSE PRODUCTION

Joint Committee on Defense Production: Committee held hearings to receive testimony from ODM Director Gordon Gray and GSA Administrator Franklin G. Floete on the following subjects: "put rights" under aluminum contracts; defense needs for critical materials and incentives required, including tax amortization; the relationship of DPA inventories and other Government inventories to stockpile purchases; and other related matters.

Committee adjourned subject to call.



Wednesday, July 31, 1957

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued its consideration of civil rights bill.

House passed bills on social security coverage and airways modernization.

Natural Gas Act amendments bill cleared for floor action by House Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: 10 bills and 1 resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2665-2674; and S. Res. 173.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2434, to amend act providing books for the adult blind (S. Rept. 773);

S. 1850, to adjust conditions of employment in departments or agencies in the Canal Zone, with amendments (S. Rept. 774);

S. 243, private bill (S. Rept. 775);

S. 2500, to make uniform the termination date for the use of official franks by former Members of Congress (S. Rept. 776);

H. J. Res. 275, transferring to Puerto Rico certain archives and records in possession of the National Archives (S. Rept. 777);

S. 2673, International Atomic Energy Participation Act of 1957 (S. Rept. 778);

H. R. 4986, private (S. Rept. 779);

S. Res. 168, relative to printing report of Acting Secretary of Agriculture on the feed-grain program (no written report); and

S. Res. 169, to print, with an illustration and with additional copies, a survey entitled "National Policies on Federal Land Ownership" (no written report).

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Civil Rights: Senate continued its consideration of H. R. 6127, to protect the civil rights of persons within the jurisdiction of the U. S., with the pending question